



U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 10

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Hazardous Waste Permit Modifications

United States Department of Energy- Hanford Federal Facility Richland Operations Office EPA/Ecology ID No. WA7 8900 8967

You are invited to comment on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) proposed modification for the Department of Energy's Hanford Federal Facility Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permit.

EPA is proposing changes to the federal hazardous waste management permit issued to the U.S. Department of Energy for operations at the Hanford Federal Facility. The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) is proposing certain corresponding changes to the state portion of the Hanford Federal Facility permit in a separate action. EPA and Ecology invite you to comment on these permit modifications.

EPA's proposal is detailed in a separate *Statement of Basis.* In general, EPA is proposing three substantive changes to the federal permit:

- 1) EPA proposes, in coordination with the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology), to transfer administrative responsibility for RCRA corrective action from EPA to Ecology by removing the existing EPA corrective action permit conditions. Ecology is adding corresponding state permit conditions in a separate permit action;
- 2) EPA proposes to transfer administrative responsibility of wastes regulated under the federal Toxicity Characteristic rule from EPA to Ecology authority; and
- 3) EPA proposes to add unit-specific organic air emission control requirements.

Public Comment Opportunity

You are encouraged to comment on this proposed RCRA permit modification.

The deadline for comments is

December 20, 1999. Comments should be submitted in writing no later than December 20 to:

Dave Bartus, U.S. EPA Region 10 1200 6th Ave., MS WCM-127 Seattle, WA 98101 E-mail: bartus.dave@epa.gov

Comments should include all reasonably available references, factual grounds and supporting material.

Comments concerning the Ecology modifications should be submitted directly to the Washington State Department of Ecology as appropriate.

Public Hearing

Tuesday, November 9, 1999
Washington State Department of Ecology
1315 W. 4th Ave., Kennewick, Washington
7:00 pm

For further information regarding the hearing call Ecology at (800) 321-2008. For special accommodation needs, please contact Lori Guertin, at (509) 736-3007 (voice) or (360) 407-6006 (TDD).

Availability of Documents for Public Review

The administrative record, containing the Statement of Basis, and other documents supporting this modification, including all data submitted by the Department of Energy, may be reviewed between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday at the following locations:

U.S. EPA Region 10

Office of Waste & and Chemicals Mgmt. Mailstop WCM-127 1200 6th Avenue Seattle, Washington 98101

Contact: Dave Bartus (800) 424-4372 ext. 2804

E-mail: bartus.dave@epa.gov

Lockheed Martin Services Incorporated

2440 Stevens Center Mail Stop H6-08 Richland, WA 99352 Contact: Debra A. Isom

Contact: Debra A. Isom. (509) 376-2530

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Any person desiring further information, copies, or portions of the administrative record, or an appointment to review the record should contact either of the individuals listed above.

HANFORD PUBLIC INFORMATION REPOSITORIES

In addition, copies the fact sheet and the Statement of Basis for this proposed modification, the HSWA permit, and an index of the HSWA permit administrative record are available for public review at the following public information repositories:

Portland

Portland State University Branford Price Millar Library 934 SW Harrison and Park Portland, Oregon 97207 (503) 725-3690

Attn: Michael Bowman/Jocelyn Kramer

Email: bowman@lib.pdx.edu

Spokane

Gonzaga University Foley Center East 502 Boone Spokane, WA 99258 (509) 323-3839

Attn: Connie Scarppelli Email: carter@its.gonzaga.edu

Richland

Public Reading Room 2770 University Drive Consolidated Information Ctr, Rm. 101L Richland, Washington 99352 (509) 372-7443

Attention: Terri Traub Email: reading_room@pnl.gov

Seattle

University of Washington Suzallo Library **Government Publication Division** Seattle, Washington 98195 (206) 543-4664

Attention: Eleanor Chase Public Service: (206) 543-1937 Email: echase@u.washington.edu

Internet Access

This fact sheet and the *Statement of Basis* is also available on the Internet at the following address: http://www.epa.gov/r10earth (once there, click on "Waste and Chemicals" and then "What's New')

To ensure effective communications with everyone, additional services can be made available to persons with disabilities by contacting EPA at (800) 424-4372.